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Banks.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMpte DE PARIS.

(Incorporated 7th & 18th March, 1848.)

RECOGNISED by the INTERNATIONAL RE CONVENTION of 30th APRIL, 1862.

CAPITAL FULLY PAID UP..... £3,200,000.
RESERVE FUND..... £300,000.

HEAD OFFICE—14, RUE BERGERE,
PARIS.

AGENCIES AND BRANCHES at:

LONDON, BOURBON, SAN FRANCISCO,
MARSEILLE, BOMBAY, HONGKONG,
LYON, CALCUTTA, HANKOW,
NANTES, SHANGHAI, FOOCHEW,
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THE BANK OF ENGLAND.
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON.
MESSRS C. J. HAMBRO & SON.

The Hongkong Agency receives Fixed Deposits on Terms to be ascertained on application, grants Drafts and Credits on all parts of the World, and transacts every description of Banking Exchange Business.

E. SCHWEBBLIN,
Agent, Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 12, 1881.

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION.
(Incorporated by Royal Charter.)

PAID-UP CAPITAL..... £1,500,000.

RATES OF INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3% per Annum
" 6 " " 4% " "
" 12 " " 5% " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

GEO. O. SCOTT,
Acting Manager.

Oriental Bank Corporation,
Hongkong, September 4, 1879.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL..... 5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND..... 1,800,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—A. McIVER, Esq.

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Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation,

No. 1, Queen's Road East.

Hongkong, June 14, 1881.

CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES GRANTED at current rates on MARINE RISKS to all parts of the World. In accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, Two-thirds of the Profits are distributed annually to Contributors, whether Shareholders or not, in proportion to the net amount of Premium contributed by each, the remaining third being carried to Reserve Fund.

J. BRADLEE SMITH,
Secretary.

Hongkong, April 6, 1881.

Notices of Firms.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

DURING my Absence from Hongkong, Mr. ROBERT COOKE will act as SECRETARY.

By Order of the Board,

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, June 13, 1881.

For Sale.

JUST LANDED,
EX STEAMSHIP "Merionethshire,"

A Great Assortment of LADIES' and GENTLEMEN'S FRENCH BOOTS and SHOES.

LADIES' Richly Embroidered WHITE and BLACK SATIN GLOVES.

CHILDREN'S BOOTS and SHOES.

Men's WHITE CANVAS SHOES.

For Sale by

ECA DA SILVA & Co.

Hongkong, July 7, 1881.

FOR SALE.

VALVOLINE CYLINDER OIL

THIS Oil is a lubricant for the Valves and Cylinders of Steam Engines, and is free from the objections which exist against the use of tallow or vegetable oils.

J. M. ARMSTRONG.

Hongkong, June 27, 1881.

SCHEDULE.

TABLE OF DRAWINGS AND PAYMENTS OF INTEREST.

Date of Payment of Drawings and Interest.

Amount of each Drawing.

Amount of Interest.

1881 December 21

1882 June 16

December 10

1883 November 5

1884 May 24

November 17

1885 June 13

November 7

1886 October 4

1887 April 24

Shanghai Ths.

136,444.40

170,075.17

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170,075.17

548,000.00

171,036.05

548,000.00

147,975.01

548,000.00

127,566.38

548,000.00

106,206.98

55,518.03

548,000.00

64,138.52

548,000.00

42,518.79

548,000.00

21,379.50

Shanghai Ths.

4,384,000.00

1,413,089.26

With Reference to the Foregoing,

Sealed Tenders are invited for the above

Lot at the Offices of the HONGKONG and SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION at Hongkong and Shanghai until Noon on MONDAY, the 25th of July, 1881, when the Tenders will be opened;

Afterwards No Tender will be entertained.

By Order,

W. H. RAY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, July 8, 1881.

To Let.

ROOMS in CLUB CHAMBERS, suitable for

Offices or Chambers.

The BUNGALOW, No. 2, SHELLY STREET.

Apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, June 18, 1881.

TO LET.

N. O. 2 OLD BAILEY STREET.

And, N. O. 6, PEDAR'S HILL.

Apply to

DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Hongkong, May 30, 1881.

ENTERICON

ENTERICON gives Immediate Relief to

Indigestion, Losses of Spirits, Wind in the Stomach, Giddiness, Palpitation of the Heart, &c.

ENTERICON gives Speedy Relief and a Permanent Cure for Nervous Debility, Spasmodic Contractions, Nervous Convulsions, Impaired Blood, premature Decline; thoroughly re-establishes general bodily health.

ENTERICON is the only Infallible Remedy for Liver Complaints, Pains of the Stomach, Loss of Appetite, Want of Vitality, Mental Depression, &c.

ENTERICON is warranted not to contain in any form, Mercury, Opium, Ether, Drugs, or other poisons.

Sold by all Wholesale and Retail Druggists throughout the Civilized World.

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WATSON & CO., Hongkong Dispensary.

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For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
HAVE RECEIVED FOR SALE,
Ex Recently arrived Mail and
other Steamships.

**AMERICAN AND ENGLISH
GROCERIES,**
FRESH SUPPLIES RECEIVED BY EVERY
MAIL.

Eastern and Californian CHEESE.
Boneless CODFISH.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
RUSSIAN CAVIARE.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
PEACH, and APPLE BUTTER.
PICKLED OX-TONGUES.
Family PIG-PORK in legs and pieces.
Paragon MACKEREL in 5 lb cans.
Beau Ideal SALMON in 5 lb cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage
MEAT.

Stuffed PEPPERS.
Assorted PICKLES.
MINCEMEAT.

COMB HONEY in Original Frames.
Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.

Richardson & Robbin's Curried OYSTERS.
Lunch TONGUE.
Assorted American SYRUPS, for Sum-
mer Drinks.

McCarty's Sugar LEMONADE.
Clam CHOWDER.
Codfish BALLS.
Green TURTLE in 2½ lb cans.

**CALIFORNIA
RACKER**
COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb
tins, and loose.
Alphabetical BIS-
CUITS.
Fancy Sweet Mixed
BISCUITS.
Ginger CAKES.
Soda BISCUITS.
Oyster BISCUITS.

Cracked WHEAT.
OATMEAL.
HOMINY.

CORNMEAL.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR.
RYE MEAL.

NEW BOOKS.—

3,000 Numbers "FRANKLIN SQUARE," and
"SEASIDE" LIBRARIES, including
McCarthy's "HISTORY OF OUR OWN
TIMES," "ENDYMION," and
other recent Publications,
from 15 cents to 25
cents each.

HERBERT SPENCER'S COMPLETE WORKS
ON SYNTHETIC PHILOSOPHY.
IRVING'S COMPLETE WORKS.
HAWTHORNE'S COMPLETE WORKS.
EMERSON'S COMPLETE WORKS.
PRESCOFT'S COMPLETE WORKS.
EDGAR POE'S COMPLETE WORKS.
WILLIAMS'S "MIDDLE KINGDOM."
GRIFFIN'S "MIKADO'S EMPIRE."

BANKOPT'S HISTORY OF THE UNITED
STATES.

HARPER'S HALF HOUR SERIES.
Medical WORKS.
School BOOKS.

Presentation BOOKS.
WORKS OF REFERENCE.
ALBUMS of Music, with Words.
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REVOLVING BOOK CASES.

STATIONERY.
For LADIES, and OFFICE USE.
OFFICE REQUISITES of every description.

SPECIALLY SELECTED
CIGARS.

WINES, SPIRITS, BEER AND
AERATED WATERS.

CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S
a/wd

JOHN MOIR & SON'S
FAMOUS HOUSEHOLD STORES.

TEYSSONNAU'S DESSERT FRUITS.
SAVOURY PATE.

GAME PATE.
PORK PATE.
OX PALATES.

HUNG (Ham) BEEF.
TRIPE.

FRUITS for Ices.
SHERBET.

COCAOTINA.
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
EPIC COCOA.

ROBINSON'S GROATS.
GELATINE.

Russia OX-TONGUES.
French PLUMS.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.
SARDINES.

Ham TONGUE and
Chicken SAUSAGE.

ASPARAGUS.
MACARONI.
VERMICELLI.

SAUSAGES.
MEATS.
SOUPS, &c., &c.

SHIPCHANDLERY of every Description.
RIGGING and SAIL-MAKING promptly
executed.

Hongkong, June 20, 1881.

Mails.

NOTICE:
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
ADEN, SUEZ, ISMAILIA, PORT
SAID, NAPLES, AND
MARSEILLES;
AND
PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA
AND ALL INDIAN PORTS.

ON THURSDAY, the 14th day of July,
1881, at Noon, the Company's S.S.
"Y.A.N.G.T.S.E." Commandant PELLINGHAM
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIES,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted
in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted until
Noon of 13th.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the
13th of July, 1881. (Parcels are not
to be sent on board; they must be left at the
Agency's Office).

Contents and value of Packages are re-
quired.

For further particulars, apply at the
Company's Office.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, July 1, 1881.

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**Occidental & Oriental Steam-
ship Company.**

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS
TO JAPAN, THE UNITED
STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND
SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE
VIA

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS.

AND
ATLANTIC & OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "BELGIC" will be despatched
for San Francisco via Yokohama on
MONDAY, the 16th July, 1881, at 3 p.m.
Connection being made at Yokohama with
Steamers from Shanghai and Japan
ports.

Freight will be received on board until
4 p.m. of the 17th July.

All Parcels Packages should be marked to
address in full; and same will be received by
the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the
day previous to sailing.

A REDUCTION of 25 % made on all
RETURN PASSAGE ORDERS ISSUED.

Consular Invoices to accompany Over-
land, Mexican, Central and South American
Cargo, should be sent to the Company's
Office addressed to the Collector of Cus-
toms, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or
Passage, apply to the Agency of the
Company, No. 504, Queen's Road Central.

CHAS. H. HASWELL, Jr.,
Agent.

Hongkong, July 1, 1881.

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Insurances.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE
INSURANCE COMPANY.

Incorporated by Royal Charter and
Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL, £2,000,000.

THE Undersigned, Agents at Hongkong
for the above Company, are prepared to grant
Policies against FIRE, to the
extent of £10,000 on any Building, or
on Merchandise in the same, at Current
Rates. RISKS on First Class Godowns
Reduced to ½ net premium per annum
from this date.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

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PRUSSIAN NATIONAL INSURANCE
COMPANY, OF STETTIN.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company, are
prepared to Grant Insurances against FIRE
at Current Rates.

MEYER & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 10, 1881.

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NOTICE.

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COM-
PANY.

THE Undersigned AGENTS for the above
Company are prepared to accept Risks
on First Class Godowns at ½ per cent. nett
premium per annum.

NORTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, May 19, 1881.

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To-day's Advertisements.

STEAMER "BRUTUS," FROM HAM-
BURG.

THE above-named Steamer having ar-
rived, Consignees of Goods are hereby
informed that their Goods are being landed
at their risk into the Godown of the Under-
signed, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to receive their Goods
on the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods
remaining after the 16th Instant will be
subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 9, 1881.

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COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo
are requested to send in their Bills of
Lading to the Undersigned for counter-
signature, and take immediate delivery.
This Cargo has been landed and stored at
their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Ex Saghalien.

No Mark, Nos. 91/120-30 drums White
Lead, Oylers, from London.

B. No. 10, 1 case Effects, from Marseilles.

G. de CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.

Hongkong, July 9, 1881.

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THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents for the above Company are
prepared to accept FIRE and MARINE
RISKS at Current Rates, allowing usual
Discounts.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, July 1, 1881.

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Entertainment.

GARRISON THEATRE

THIS EVENING,

July 9th, 1881,

COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT

MISS MATTIE TAYLOR.

MATTIE'S BENEFIT, JULY 9th,

THE EVE OF HER BIRTHDAY.

"OUR BOARDING SCHOOL,"

SATURDAY EVENING,

GARRISON THEATRE.

SECURE YOUR SEATS

FOR MATTIE'S BENEFIT.

KITCHEN OPERA, SATURDAY,

IN GARRISON THEATRE.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Front Seats \$1.00.

Back Seats, \$0.50.

Tickets obtainable at Messrs KELLY &

WAISER'S, and at the Door on the Night of

Performance.

Hongkong, July 9, 1881.

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FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamer "Thales,"

Captain POCOCK, will be
despatched for the above

Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 13th Inst., at

7 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, July 9, 1881.

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FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

The Steamer "Suez,"

Capt. W. M. DODD, will be
despatched for the above Ports on

SATURDAY, the 16th Inst., at 3 p.m.

This Steamer has very good Accommodation
for a few First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHEWS & Co.

THE CHINA MAIL.

Not nearly so popular a game as the first is **推子**. The winning number in this game is three of any kind, as three aces, three deuces, etc. The betting regulations are exactly the same, as in **九子**. Very often both games are combined, and the winning numbers are thus much easier to obtain. If both games are combined it is customary to throw the dice but once; the player wins if nine or three of a kind come up, loses if twelve comes up, and neither wins nor loses if he throws any other number. The different "three of a kind" have also their particular names. We know already 3,3,3, and 4,4,4; the rest are—

1, 1, 1, 天授怪戲 ("Catch the Imps.")

2, 2, 2, 棋米 ("Ground Rice.")

5, 5, 5, 梅花園 ("Plum-blossoms.")

6, 6, 6, 黑壳六 ("Black-shelled Sixes.")

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The next AMERICAN MAIL may be expected to arrive here, by the O. & O. steamer *Belpre*, on the 12th inst. Her San Francisco dates are to the 11th June.

The next FRENCH MAIL may be expected to arrive here on Friday, the 15th inst.

Her London dates are 16th June.

ORDER OF SERVICE AT THE CATHEDRAL—FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY.

Matin—Venuie, Monk No. 7; Psalms, Nos. 61 and 62 Hayes; Te Deum; Quadruple chant (Sungster), M. S. Book; Benedicte, "Oursely" 131; Hymn 229.

Evening—Psalms, No. 65 Wilson, No. 66 Goss; Cantate, No. 60 Monk; Deus Misericordia, No. 188 Monk; Hymn, 305; Hymn, 12.

The steamer *Fokien* went to the Cosmopolitan Dock last night.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Lerches*, from Liverpool, left Singapore yesterday noon for this port.

A SAMPAK while engaged to-day in mooring the *Thales* was upset, and the occupants thrown into the water. A steam launch went to their help and rendered them all assistance possible.

THE weather of late, although the temperature has not been abnormally high, has been trying in the extreme. In the Naval Hospital, on board the *Monroe* and in the Government Civil Hospital as well, the result of this is painfully apparent. There have been within the past few days quite a large number of sunstrokes or cases of heat prostration, and it behoves all who value their health and strength, or put any consideration upon the retention of the full vigour of their minds, to carefully guard themselves against undue or unnecessary exposure to the sun.

An impression has for some time been gaining ground that H. E. Sir John Pope *Hornby* will leave this shortly—we presume, for Home. If such be the case, the earlier arrival than was at first expected of the Hon. W. H. Marsh would be fully explained. In the event of the present Governor going on leave, or going away for good, Mr. Marsh would doubtless administer the Government; and if such good fortune should be in store for us, then there is a new prospect of something being done in this most unfortunate Colony—work taking the place of talk.

(Before H. E. Wodehouse, Esq., Police Magistrate.)

THEFT.

For stealing a pair of trousers a Chinaman was sent to gaol for six weeks with hard labour, and exposure in the stocks.

FIGHTING.

Three Chinamen charged as above were sentenced to pay first and second defendant 50 cents, and third to pay \$2 or seven days in gaol.

The two Chinamen charged with fighting in the streets, were convicted, and fined 50 cents each.

CORRESPONDENCE.

KEROSINE AND KEROSENE.

To the Editor of the "China Mail."

Philadelphia, June 1.—*The Ledger's* New York special says : Dr José Castodis Alves De Lorne has arrived from Rio Janeiro. He is accompanied by the coffee-planters of the Province of São Paulo to secure, if possible, 3000 Chinese laborers for that country. At present there are 100 Chinese in Brazil, the Doctor thinks they are well adapted to the wants of the planters. If the requisite number of Chinamen cannot be procured in the United States, the Doctor says they will be imported from Hongkong direct. He will first feel his way among the Chinese colony in Baxter street, and, after that, visit other cities, shipping Chinamen by fifties or hundred, as he may chance to procure them.

New York, June 2.—*The Tribune* says : Efforts are said to have been made by Brazilian agents in Germany to divert immigration from the United States to Brazil, but not with any success. Dr Delma arrived in this city from Rio Janeiro on Friday last to obtain 3000 Chinese laborers for the province of São Paulo. He said he believed that in six or seven years slavery in Brazil will be practically abolished. Bismarck, he thinks, has discouraged Germans from going to Brazil, and through the German Consuls has incited strikes among them. The great need of Brazil, he said, was competition in labor, and no European and American immigrants could not be induced to colonize in Brazil, because most must be employed in agriculture, which requires a large amount of labor.

He intended to procure the requisite number of Chinese in this country, if possible, but he may be obliged to go to China.

Chicago, June 2.—*The Tribune's* New York special denies that Lorillard won \$2,000,000 in tobacco, but says the amount was only \$12,500, of which he offered \$5,000 turned over to Archer, who rule Iroquois.

Washington, May 27.—Secretary Hunt today forwarded instructions to Commander Cooper, commanding the United States steamer *Alliance*, now at Norfolk, Va., to prepare his ship, with all dispatch, to search for the *Jeanette*, between Greenland, Iceland and the coast of Norway, and as far as the northern coast of Spitzbergen, and if possible get her without endangering the vessel.

Los Angeles, June 1.—The Duke of Sutherland and party, consisting of the Duchess of Sutherland, Doctor Russell of London Times, S. N. Townsend of the London Field, L. O. Stephen of the London and Northwestern Railway, Major-General Henry Green of the British army, Henry Wright, private secretary to the Duke, and W. A. White, General Passenger Agent of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad, spent last night and today in San Francisco, en route for the Orient. The party will be in California for a month.

This evening the party arrived here, and took carriages through the city over the hill overlooking the town. The Duke stated to your reporter that his visit was one entirely of pleasure and had no reference to business. He expressed himself as delighted with California, with its scenery, people, fruits, wine and brandy, and especially with the climate. The cool, constant seashore is a surprise and delight to him. The view of the city and green valley from the hilltops he pronounced the finest he had ever seen. He said if traveling Englishmen knew the varied scenery and climate of California they would come here by thousands. Santa Monica pleased him greatly, and he thinks it is destined to be a famous place. Although he is a very large land-owner in Great Britain, he would like to be the owner of a ranch in Los Angeles. His journey in America has been very delightful, and he is pleased with the comfort and elegance of traveling on American railways in Pullman cars.

It is the right hand of fellowship tendered to a King by the representative of Hawaii's oldest and staunchest friend, and is, no doubt, an example of what His Majesty will meet with at all points of his journey through the scattered possessions of Great Britain. Not less pleasing is it to note the heavy way in which King Kalakaua was received and feasted by the British community of Hongkong. Here was something more than official politeness, or respect accorded to rank. He was made heartily welcome among them, as one whom they were delighted to honor both as a King and as a gentleman. Such a reception is peculiarly gratifying to his people, and will no doubt be valued by him, as by them, even more highly than the most splendid hospitality of princes or great officials.

The same paper copies the accounts given here of the Clater *Tiffin*, quotes what we said about the King's speech on that occasion, and remarks with evident pleasure upon the curious fact mentioned by Mr. Armstrong that the King and the Immigration Commission had once been British subjects. Concerning the official reception in Hongkong, none of the disgreable seem to have been waited to Honolulu. Better w., perhaps.

NEWS BY THE S. S. "MEI-FOO."

The C. M. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Mei-foo*, Captain Cunningham, with stores from San Francisco to the 4th and Honolulu to the 17th ulto., arrived here late last evening. From file to hand by this opportunity we give some cutting, though the news is not of great importance.

AMERICAN ITEMS.

New York, May 26.—The regular annual meeting of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company was held in this city yesterday. Over 100,000 of the 200,000 shares of the company were represented. The President's report of the business of the company for the year ending April 30, 1881, shows that the impetus given to the building of railroads and development of mines in Mexico had greatly increased the business, and this with the steady growth and production of the Central American States, requires a considerable increase of tonnage to take the parts of ships that have grown useless from long use and loss in running.

President Houston recommended the building of three additional steamers of about 2000 tons burden each, to strengthen the company's lines of the Mexican and Central American coast. He said : We are aware of the intention on the part of shipowners to put steamers on this coast unless we have vessels enough to perform the service, which has not been the case for the last two years." He thought the money invested in the China line would be more remunerative than the China line itself.

On Tuesday last Knutson was sentenced for stealing some lutes sent to gaol for three months with hard labour as a rogue and vagabond, and fined \$25 for assaulting the police, or another three months.

SUSPICIOUS CHARACTER.

Chin Am was sent to gaol for three months with hard labour as a rogue and vagabond, and fined \$25 for assaulting the police, or another three months.

ABUSES.

A woman of the name of Rubenstein lodged a complaint against one of the name of Dolly Johnson, for using bad language to her.

The Magistrate said this sort of thing was getting too common, and ordered that she enter into personal recognisances to keep the peace.

DISPENSES.

Colonel John Mosby will visit Oregon on his way from Hongkong to take the United States Marshalship of Georgia. This is evidently a mistake for General Longstreet, who by last advices is on his way from Constantinople to take up the appointment mentioned.

that other offenders will yet be brought to justice. Whether a fine of \$50 will serve as a deterrent from the future practice of a lucrative profession may be a moot question.

Says the *Pacific Commercial Advertiser*:

The Norwegians who arrived here Monday, and who were placed in quarantine at Fisherman's Point on Monday, impressed all who saw them very favorably, as a healthy and most desirable class of immigrants. 238 arrived by the *Metac*, among whom are a large proportion of young men, women, and children. And among these people are many artisans and mechanics. The ladies of the city were quite busy at the Quarantine grounds on Monday, selecting some domestics from among the new arrivals. Many nurses, cooks, and chamber-maids were engaged from among the single women. They all appeared very healthy and good tempered, and eager, as many expressed themselves, to get to work, after their long six months voyage. These worthy Norse people are a most desirable addition to our population; and we feel well assured that every employer who has engaged the services of any of these Norwegians will be glad to have an opportunity to make a kindly and industrious people content with their new homes.

We have but little interest in the Norwegian recently arrived. They strike all observers as healthy, honest and industrious.

Sir.—On reading the paragraph regarding the storage of kerosene in your last week's issue, it occurred to me that a most important point on this subject has been neglected, viz. the temperature at which the kerosene gives off inflammable vapour. Any regulations as to the storage of this variable and dangerous substance cannot be effective which does not condemn all samples flashing below 100° Fahrenheit's thermometer. I am not acquainted with the character of the so-called kerosene in use in Hongkong, but I suspect it would be found in many cases to flash below 100°, and that such samples have been the cause of whatever mischief has accrued from it.

PETROLEUM.

[So far as we have heard and believe, the kerosene imported into Hongkong is of very good quality; and, as we have already said, there is no case amongst foreigners wherein its storage has proved dangerous.

Sir.—Possibly my personal experience in the tobacco question may possess some interest.

I was taught to smoke small wheat school, at the age of fourteen, by a young South American, a direct descendant of the Incas. I continued the habit for forty-six years, during which time I took about an ounce of snuff daily. During this time I only smoked occasionally. About ten years since the notorious murderer of my mother got tired, and my nostrils were constantly stuffed up; so I gave up snuff, and devoted myself to my pipe smoking (of a mild nature) eight times in ten days. I never dealt with it again.

The thanks of the Hawaiian people are due, and are, we feel sure, most heartily tendered to His Excellency Li Hung-chang and other Chinese official personages who received King Kalakaua with such marked courtesy to South Africa, got well, but was never killed by a fall from my horse. I broke a tooth, and the gun grew over it, but it was forgotten. At twenty-six I had neuralgia, which turned out to be an abscess in the left nostril, the whole floor of which necrosed and came away, leaving a free gateway from the nostril to the mouth. While this went on, I had an attack of pneumonia, which ended in apoplexy, and it behoves all who value their health and strength, or put any consideration upon the retention of the full vigour of their minds, to carefully guard themselves against undue or unnecessary exposure to the sun.

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THE weather of late, although the temperature has not been abnormally high, has been trying in the extreme. In the Naval Hospital, on board the *Monroe* and in the Government Civil Hospital as well, the result of this is painfully apparent. There have been within the past few days quite a large number of sunstrokes or cases of heat prostration, and it behoves all who value their health and strength, or put any consideration upon the retention of the full vigour of their minds, to carefully guard themselves against undue or unnecessary exposure to the sun.

AN impression has for some time been gaining ground that H. E. Sir John Pope *Hornby* will leave this shortly—we presume, for Home. If such be the case, the earlier arrival than was at first expected of the Hon. W. H. Marsh would be fully explained. In the event of the present Governor going on leave, or going away for good, Mr. Marsh would doubtless administer the Government; and if such good fortune should be in store for us, then there is a new prospect of something being done in this most unfortunate Colony—work taking the place of talk.

M.R.C.P., Lond.

Marine Court.

(Before Captain H. G. Thoson.)

Saturday, July 9.

DESERTER.

Age Maximilius, a seaman on board the American barque *Serra Ridgway*, was charged with deserting the ship, and was sentenced to be imprisoned for one month with hard labour.

Police Intelligence.

(Before the Hon. M. S. Trowbridge, Acting Police Magistrate.)

Saturday, July 9.

ROGUE AND VAGABONDS.

Thomas McCarthy admitted this charge, and was discharged with a caution on condition of paying his chancery fine.

LOTTERY BUSINESS.

A Chinaman was charged with being mixed up in a Tee-fa lottery and was fined \$25 or three months in gaol.

THEFT.

Wong Akwei was charged with uttering base coin and evidence having been led, was convicted and sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

COUNTERFEIT COIN.

Two Chinamen charged with this offence were fined 50 cents each or three days in gaol.

ASSAULT.

A Chinaman was charged with assaulting another, and after evidence had been taken, was fined \$5 or fourteen days in gaol.

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